HOUSE BILL 1886

By Gillespie

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to evading arrest.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-603, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

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- (1) In addition to the penalties prescribed in this section, the vehicle used in the commission of a violation of subsection (b) is subject to seizure and forfeiture in accordance with the procedure established in title 40, chapter 33, part 2, if the vehicle is owned by the person committing the offense. The department of safety is designated as the applicable agency, as defined by § 40-33-202, for all forfeitures authorized by this section.
- (2) Only POST-certified or state-commissioned law enforcement officers are authorized to seize vehicles pursuant to this section.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-33-201, is amended by deleting the language "§ 39-14-307, § 47-25-1105" and substituting the language "§ 39-14-307, § 39-16-603, § 47-25-1105".

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.